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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the election/restriction mailed on August 22, 2003,
Applicants elect Group I, Claims 28-45 and 49-50 without traverse. Applicants
hereby cancel claims 46-48 and 51-64 without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application covering the non-elected subject matter.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due in connection with this submission. However, if such petition is due or any additional fees are necessary,

the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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